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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : OXCART Status

1. OXCART Flights, 30 August:

- A. Aircraft #124: Flight #129; purpose - INS training; duration 2:11 hours; subsonic. Pilots express different opinions regarding pressure suit.
- B. Aircraft #126: Flight #18; purpose - INS and ARC-50; duration - 1:57 hours; subsonic. INS performance good. ARC-50 performance improved.

2. OXCART Status, 1800 hours, 2 September:

- A. Aircraft #121: Modified honeycomb parts received [redacted] 31 August. Around the clock maximum effort over weekend to install honeycomb, process engines through test, and prepare for installation. Engines delivered to aircraft and ready for installation.
- B. Aircraft #122: Engines with modified honeycomb received [redacted] 30 August. Around the clock maximum effort over weekend to install airframe plumbing, process engines through test, and prepare for installation. Engines delivered to aircraft and ready for installation.
- C. Aircraft #125: Engine replacement. Right engine - control system scheduling malfunction. Left engine - excessive oil consumption (over 50 hours total time). All effort over weekend focused on preparing engines for aircraft #121 and 122.

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- D. Aircraft #127: Down since 29 August for installation of INS and camera windows. To be scheduled for flight this week.
- E. Aircraft #128: Final assembly.
- F. Aircraft #129: Arrived 29 August for final assembly.

3. OXCART Flight Summary, July and August:

	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
Number of flights-all aircraft	37	46
Number of flights-J58 aircraft	22	24
Number of flights-speed extension and roughness investigation	9	7

4. Limited suppliers meeting tentatively scheduled for 12 September at Headquarters. C. L. Johnson (LAC) and [redacted] (PSW) will be available.

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